

LESSON 10

BABY MOSES

Exodus 1:8-10,22; 2:1-10

Many years after Joseph died, a different King of Egypt was afraid that the growing Israelite people would become strong and fight against Egypt. So he gave an order that no Israelite baby boys could live in his land.

One Israelite mother hid her baby boy, so that the King's soldiers could not find him. When he was a bit older, they couldn't hide him any more, so his mother made a basket out of the reeds that grew by the river. She put her baby in the basket and floated it by the edge of the river. The baby's sister hid close by to see what would happen to it.

The Egyptian princess came to the river to wash. She found the basket and saw the baby boy inside. She wanted to keep him. The baby's sister said that she would fetch someone to care for the baby for the princess. She brought her own mother back to look after baby Moses.

ACTIVITY

Use wool, material, crepe paper, aluminium foil, bark, sandpaper, blades of grass, cellophane, coconut (coloured blue for water), glitter, etc to make this collage picture.

FURTHER SUGGESTIONS

Make a little basket for baby Moses using the pattern at the back of this book.

Collect reeds that grow by a river. "Hide" a pipe cleaner Miriam behind them.

Float a small container (e.g. margarine container) with baby inside, in water. Use this to act out the story.

Make a basket. Use a matchbox, walnut or half an egg carton. Add a small plastic doll or a dolly peg wrapped in a blanket for the baby.

Using reeds or similar looking plants weave a mat, to show how Moses' mother would have made a basket out of reeds.

Baby Moses was found by
the princess.

